Fee Structure of Public Schools in Delhi

121. SHRI MOHINDAR SINGH KALYAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the public schools being run in Delhi at present;

(b) whether it is a fact that the assistance/ grant is being given to all the recognised public schools in Delhi;

(c) if so, the reasons for their charging high fees from the students who are studying in these schools; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to fix the minimum/maximum fees for all the students of such public schools?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) and (b) The Government of N.C.T. of Delhi, the Municipal Corporation of Delhi and New Delhi Municipal Council have intimated that the number of recognised unaided private schools (popularly knows as public schools) run by them is as follows:—

Government of N.C.T. of Delhi	..	688
Municipal Corporation of Delhi	..	386
New Delhi Municipal Council	..	01

No assistance/grant is provided to such recognised private schools.

(c) and (d): The recognised private schools in Delhi are known to be charging high fees on the plea to meet their expenditure on staff emoluments, cost of equipments and infrastructural facilities. Secion 17(3) of Delhi School Education Act, 1973 provides — "the Manager of every recognised school shall, before the commencement of each academic session, file with the Director a full statement of fees to be levied by such schools during the ensuing academic session and except with the prior approval of the Director, no such school shall charge, during the academic session, any fee in excess of the fee specified by its Manager."

Persons covered under the Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme

122. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons covered by the Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme in the country, particularly in Karnataka so far, during the current year; and

(b) the target fixed for the remaining part of the year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) and (b) The Programme has been launched in November, 1995. It is still largely in a preparatory stage, involving conduct of surveys, preparation of town-wise project reports, etc. including in Karnataka. Five million urban poor are targetted to benefit during the five year period ending 1999-2000. The annual target for 1996-97 is dependent on the completion of the budget exercise.

Opening of more Kendriya and Navodaya Vidyalayas in the North-East Region

123.SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether some Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodya Vidyalayas are proposed to be opened in the North-East region during 1996-97;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the proposals which are pending, alongwith the reasons therefor, in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MUHI RAM SAIKIA): (a) to (c) Three Kendriya Vidyalayas have been sanctioned for 1996-97 in the North East region at:

(i) BSF Panbari, Assam

(ii) Along, Arunachal Pradesh

(iii) Kimin, Arunachal Pradesh